

THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART
ARTIST BIOGRAPHY

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Please complete and return the following questionnaire for our reference file on Cleveland Artists.

FULL NAME: **KEN E. GESSFORD**

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: **22 OCT. 1936 EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO**

PRIMARY MEDIA **CLAY/SCULPTURE**

ART TRAINING - Schools, Scholarships, etc.:

B.S. in ART Education; KENT STATE UNIVERSITY. 1967
M.A.; KENT STATE UNIVERSITY 1973
Now working on M.P.A. KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

EXHIBITIONS IN WHICH YOUR WORK HAS BEEN SHOWN:

STAIR CASE GALLERY, HUDSON, OHIO 1974 (one man)
CLEVELAND MAY SHOW 1971; 1972; 1974
HADASSAH INTERNATIONAL Exhibition 1969
BUTLER Institute of Art (Ceramic-Sculpture SHOW 1971; 1972; 1974
SLOAN O'SICKEY Gallery - CLEVELAND, OHIO 1971-1973 group shows
CAUTION INSTITUTE of Art - ALL OHIO SHOW; 1973
KENT STATE UNIVERSITY NEW STUDENT UNION; 1973 (one man)

COLLECTIONS WHICH NOW INCLUDE YOUR WORK:

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY
MRS. BARBARA ENGSTROM - CINCINNATI, OHIO
DR. JOHN CAMPBELL - AKRON, OHIO

AWARDS:

7. CONCOMRE AWARDS KENT STATE Univ Art Dept. 1963-67
2 AWARDS Cuyahoga Valley Art Show 1966
1 AWARD Poland, Ohio Art Show 1968
OUTSTANDING Secondary Educator of America 1974
NOMINATED OUTSTANDING YOUNG MEN of AMERICA 1973
PRESENT POSITION: ART INSTRUCTOR KENT ROOSEVELT H.S. KENT, OHIO

We would appreciate any information regarding subsequent awards, purchases, exhibitions and scholarships.
Thank you for your cooperation.

PRESENTED WORK SHOP + SLIDE PRESENTATION AT 10th Anniversary
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Born; East Liverpool, Ohio, 1936

Married and has two sons

Teaches art at Kent Roosevelt H.S.

Formerly taught art at Hudson, Ohio Jr. High and High Schools

Education:

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M.A.; Kent State University 1973

Now working on M.F.A. Kent State University

Shows:

Kent State University Art Dept.; seven concour awards, 1963-1967

Guyahoga Valley Art Show; two awards, 1966

Poland, Ohio Art Show; one award

Canfield, Ohio Art Show; one award

Kent State Univ. Art Dept Traveling Show; 1967, 1973

Kent State Univ. 1st Annual Sculpture Exhibition; 1967

Hadassah International Exhibition; 1969

Stair Case Gallery, Hudson, Ohio; 1969-1972 (group shows)

Cleveland May Show; 1971-1972

Sloan O'Sickey Gallery, Cleveland, Ohio; 1971-1973 (group shows)

Objet'd Art Gallery, Akron, Ohio; 1970-1972 (group shows)

EastLiverpool Pottery Festival; 1969-1971 (one man shows)

Butler Institute of Art Annual Ceramic-Sculpture Show, Youngstown, Ohio;
1971-1972-1974

Canton Institute of Art's All Ohio Show; 1973

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MAY SHOW QUESTIONNAIRE

Dear

We are trying to build a biographical record of Cleveland Artists for reference. May we enlist your assistance with the following data?

FULL NAME: Ken E. Gessford

MEDIA: Ceramics

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: 22 October 1936 ; East Liverpool, Ohio

ART TRAINING - Schools, Scholarships, etc; B.S. Art Education, Kent State U.
At present working on thesis at Kent State U.

EXHIBITIONS IN WHICH YOUR WORK HAS BEEN SHOWN: Canfield Art Show; Poland O. Art Show; Cuyahoga Valley Art Show; 1st Annual Sculpture Show at K.S.U.; Massillon Museum, Hudson Art Show, Ceramic and Sculpture Show at the Butler Museum of Art- Youngstown, Ohio(1970 & 1971); Staircase Gallery, Hudson, Ohio; Cleveland May Show (1971); Hadassa Art International II.

COLLECTIONS WHICH NOW INCLUDE YOUR WORK: Dr. J. A. Campbell, Akron, Ohio;

Mrs. Barbara Engstrom, Cincinnati, Ohio; C. Robert Alexander,

Tallmadge, Ohio; Jack Troy, Huntingdon, Pa.; Nelson E. Oestreich,

Art Dept. Chairman, West Minister College, New Willmington, Pa.; *Kent State Univ. ART DEPT. Coll.*

AWARDS:

Eight Concour Awards, Kent State University Art Dept.; Two Awards Cuyahoga Valley Art Show; One Honor, Canfield Art show; One Honor, Poland, Ohio Art Show; Two Honors, Hudson Art Show

PRESENT POSITION:

Art Instructor, Hudson High School, Hudson, Ohio.

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Petuaa Wint

Director of the May Show